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For: **ALGINATE CAPSULES FOR USE IN THE TREATMENT OF  
BRAIN TUMOR**

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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

In response to the Office Action issued October 22, 2002, Applicants respectfully  
request entry of the following amendments, without prejudice.

**In the Claims**

Please amend claims 12, 17, 19, 21, and 32 to read as follows.

12. (Twice Amended) A composition comprising a producer cell that expresses a  
molecule that is an inhibitor of the growth of a CNS tumor, the cell being encapsulated in a  
matrix that comprises an immunoisolating alginate having a G content of above 15%,  
wherein the molecule is endostatin, angiostatin, thrombospondin, or prolactin.

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